

1                                   **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8**

2       (By Senators Palumbo, Foster, Jenkins, Browning, McCabe, Plymale,  
3       Prezioso, Minard, Klempa, Kessler (Acting President), Stollings  
4                                   and Wells)

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6       Designating Thursday, January 20, 2011, as "Generation West  
7       Virginia Day" at the Legislature.

8       Whereas, Generation West Virginia is the statewide movement  
9       committed to cultivating and engaging young talent, those 21 to 45;  
10      and

11      Whereas, The future of West Virginia relies heavily on the  
12      retention, recruitment, and advancement of young talent to ensure  
13      that our intellectual capital base is strong for the future success  
14      of our state's economy, communities and intellectual  
15      infrastructure; and

16      Whereas, This collaborative and dynamic group of young talent  
17      within Generation West Virginia is creating an outstanding positive  
18      image within our state and on the national level by serving as a  
19      model for promoting young leaders and making our state a  
20      destination for young talent; and

21      Whereas, Generation West Virginia is an innovative,  
22      results-oriented, and dedicated organization that represents young  
23      talent from all walks of life, careers, communities who are  
24      committed to a positive and strong present and future for our great

1 state; and

2       Whereas, Those 21 to 45 years of age in West Virginia include  
3 more than 600,000 of our state's population and represent our  
4 state's future base of workers, dreamers, innovators, educators,  
5 entrepreneurs, leaders and most importantly our hope for a  
6 successful future; and

7       Whereas, These young leaders are not just the future of our  
8 state, but the rising leaders of today who are making it possible  
9 for West Virginia to compete successfully with the world; and

10       Whereas, By working to make our state attractive for young  
11 talent, steps are being taken to encourage a "brain gain" for West  
12 Virginia that will build a strong future for our state to become a  
13 global leader; and

14       Whereas, The Senate recognizes the importance of this growing  
15 movement and will listen and collaborate with its leadership and  
16 regional organizations to develop positive solutions and  
17 opportunities to create an abundance of prosperity in our state;  
18 therefore, be it

19       *Resolved by the Senate:*

20       That the Senate hereby designates Thursday, January 20, 2011,  
21 as "Generation West Virginia Day" at the Legislature and encourages  
22 all citizens to join the Senate in this observance; and, be it

23       *Further Resolved,* That the Clerk of the Senate is hereby  
24 directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the

1      representatives of Generation West Virginia.